

officers under such regulations as the President may prescribe: *Provided*, That in order to insure intelligent cooperation between the General Staff and the several noncombatant branches, officers of such branches may be detailed as additional members of the General Staff Corps under such special regulations as to eligibility and redetail as may be prescribed by the President, but not more than two officers from each such branch shall be detailed as members of the War Department General Staff."

Approved, May 21, 1928.

Additional details from noncombatant branches.

Limit to War Department General Staff.

CHAP. 648.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy, in his discretion, to deliver to the custody of the Louisiana State Museum, of the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, the silver bell in use on the cruiser New Orleans.

May 21, 1928.
[H. R. 5826.]

[Public, No. 446.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is authorized, in his discretion, to deliver to the custody of the Louisiana State Museum, of the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, for preservation and exhibition the silver bell which was in use on the cruiser New Orleans: *Provided*, That no expenses shall be incurred by the United States for the delivery of such silver bell.

"New Orleans," U. S. Cruiser.
Silver bell of, to be delivered to Louisiana State Museum.

Proviso.
No Federal expense.

Approved, May 21, 1928.

CHAP. 649.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to equitably adjust disputes and claims of settlers and others against the United States and between each other arising from incomplete or faulty surveys in township 19 south, range 26 east, and in sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 30, 31, township 19 south, range 27 east, Tallahassee meridian, Lake County, in the State of Florida.

May 21, 1928.
[H. R. 5695.]

[Public, No. 447.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to equitably adjust disputes and claims of settlers, entrymen, selectors, grantees, and patentees of the United States, their heirs or assigns, against the United States and between each other arising from incomplete or faulty surveys in township 19 south, range 26 east, and in sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 30, 31, township 19 south, range 27 east, Tallahassee meridian, Lake County, in the State of Florida, and to issue directly or in trust as may be found necessary or advisable patent to such settlers, entrymen, selectors, grantees, and patentees, their heirs or assigns, for land claimed through settlement, occupation, purchase, or otherwise in said described area, preserving, as far as he may deem equitable, to those claimants now in possession of public land the right to have patented to them the areas so occupied: *Provided*, That a charge of not less than the appraised value of the land, exclusive of any improvements placed thereon, be made for each acre or fraction thereof of Government land patented under the provisions of this Act, except that adjustment may be effected by exchange of lands patented for lands substantially equal in area, in which event payment shall be required of the difference in appraised values where the value of the land owned by the Government exceeds that of the land offered in exchange: *Provided further*, That rights acquired subsequent to the withdrawal of December 23, 1925, shall not be recognized or be subject to adjustment hereunder.

Public lands.
Adjustment of claims of lands in Lake County, Fla., arising from faulty surveys, etc.

Patents to settlers, etc., for land claimed through settlement, etc.

Rights of possessors.

Proviso.
Not less than appraised value to be charged.

Adjustment by exchanges.

Rights not recognized.

Acceptance of conveyances.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept any and all conveyances of land and to cause all necessary surveys to be made, to effect the purposes of this Act. All adjustments hereunder shall conform to the approved plats of such survey or resurvey, and no other survey will be recognized.

Appraisal of lands.

Tavares, Fla.
Town site survey of
lots, etc., accepted.

R. S., sec. 2384, p. 436.
U. S. Code, p. 1378.

Proviso.
Patent to Lake
County of courthouse,
etc.

Reversion if sold,
etc.

Tavares.
Town site provisions
extended to.
R. S., secs. 2382, 2384,
2385, p. 436.
U. S. Code, pp. 1377,
1378.

Proviso.
Purchase allowed
actual possessor.

Town site provisions
hereof extended to
other towns in area
hereof.

SEC. 3. That in fixing the appraised price of such lands the Secretary of the Interior shall consider and give effect to the good faith and equities of the occupants of any of the areas found to be public land; and if the whole or any part of such land be within the corporate limits of the town of Tavares, the survey of the lots, blocks, streets, and alleys shall be considered as executed under the provisions of section 2384, Revised Statutes, but as far as practicable shall conform to the existing surveys and plats of the lots in such town: *Provided*, That the Secretary may, in his discretion, issue a patent to Lake County, Florida, to not exceeding one acre upon which the county courthouse is located, such patent to provide that the land shall revert to the Government of the United States if the county sells any part thereof or devotes it to any use other than as a site for a courthouse and grounds.

SEC. 4. That the provisions of section 2382, Revised Statutes, as modified by sections 2384 and 2385, Revised Statutes, shall extend to all areas surveyed as within and a part of the town of Tavares: *Provided*, That subject to adverse rights any person entitled to a preference right to purchase under the provisions of this Act may secure under this section lands in his actual possession, whether in a single tract or in surveyed lots, of a maximum area of eighty-four thousand square feet, upon payment therefor at a rate not exceeding \$10 for four thousand two hundred square feet, but any applicant may elect to proceed under section 1 of this Act: *Provided further*, That all the provisions hereof applicable to the town of Tavares shall be extended to any other established town within the area affected by this Act.

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[H. R. 5644.]
[Public, No. 448.]

CHAP. 650.—An Act To enable an enlisted man in the naval service to make good time lost in excess of one day under certain conditions.

Navv.
Enlisted men absent
without leave, etc., for
more than one day, per-
mitted to make good
time lost.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That every enlisted man in the naval service who, without proper authority, absents himself from his ship, station, or duty for more than one day, or who is confined for more than one day under sentence, or while awaiting trial and disposition of his case, if the trial results in conviction, may be permitted to serve, after his return to a full-duty status, for such period as shall, with the time he may have served prior to such unauthorized absence or confinement, amount to the full term of his enlistment.

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[S. 4405.]
[Public, No. 449.]

CHAP. 651.—An Act Authorizing the Detroit River Canadian Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Detroit River at or near Stony Island, Wayne County, State of Michigan.

Detroit River.
Detroit River Cana-
dian Bridge Company
may bridge, at Stony
Island, Mich.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to facilitate international commerce, improve the postal service, and provide for military and other purposes, the Detroit River Canadian Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Detroit River, so far as the United States has jurisdiction over the waters of such river, at a point